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**FORMAL COMMENT IN FAVOR OF NET NEUTRALITY**

FCC Chair Wheeler,

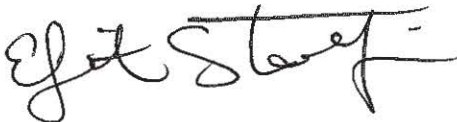
Preserving an open Internet is vital not just to the free flow of information, but also to promoting innovation and economic productivity.

In terms of promoting innovation, net neutrality lowers the barriers of entry for entrepreneurs, startups and small businesses by ensuring the Web is a fair and level playing field. Allowing ISPs to charge extra fees to content companies for preferential treatment opens the door to widespread discrimination online.

As an end-user, it is particularly abhorrent to think that a corporation's stance on controversial topics could potentially change both what you can see on the Internet and the quality of your connection.

I feel very strongly about protecting net neutrality and encourage the FCC to reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service (and ISPs as common carriers) so that we can prevent Internet providers from selling bandwidth to the highest bidder.

Sincerely,

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Liz Taliaferro